

Rural Hall Moravian Church

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Martha Gribble, Acolyte

Michael Terry, Acolyte

Tom Tucker, Acolyte

Kelly Whitman, Acolyte

Bill Gribble, Head Usher

Randy Bruce, Asst. Head Usher

Tom Tucker, Asst. Head Usher

Martha Gribble, Sacristan

Sue Ashburn, Head Diener

Larry Williams, Band Director

Jeannie Ogburn, Handbell Director

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY FOR APRIL

Greeters	June Bruce; Martha Gribble
Sound Operator	Sue Ashburn
Nursery	
April 7	Carrie Phelps; Vicki Smith
April 14	Candice Bowles; Allison Coward
April 21	Cindy Holby; Lori White
April 28	Anne Christian; Heather Fleming

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Thursday, April 25	Gemeinschaft Group	6:30 pm - Parlor
Sunday, April 28	Church Board Meeting	6:00 pm - FH

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK

April 19 - Myra Perryman	April 25 - Sadie Jones
April 22 - Courtney Thomas	April 26 - Brad Spangler
April 22 - Cathy Clegg	April 28 - Molly Stewart
April 24 - Carolyn Kiger	



RHMC STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To be committed to Jesus Christ as Lord and to witness to His teachings through worship, education, sharing, caring, and serving the people inside and outside the Church to help them find a mature and abundant life.



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April 21, 2024

Welcome to our service of worship this Fourth Sunday of Easter.

If you are visiting today, we welcome you!
If you are a first-time visitor, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate.

PRELUDE *Primavera*.....*Ludovico Einaudi (1b. 1955)*
The word "primavera" means "spring". In this beautiful season, may we rejoice in God's love for His Creation.
Einaudi is an Italian composer, perhaps best known for his piano composition *Divenire*.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Andrew Craver

***HYMN** *As Saints of Old* p. 650

TITHES AND OFFERING
Prayer
Offertory *The Gift of Love*.....*arr. Hal Hopson*
The Adult Choir
This anthem is based on I Corinthians 13.

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* p. 817

CHILDREN'S CHAT Rev. Andrew Craver

JOYS AND CONCERNS/MORNING PRAYER Rev. Andrew Craver

LITURGY FOR EVANGELISM pp. 133-138

SCRIPTURE READINGS 1 John 3:13-24 Rev. Andrew Craver
John 10:11-21

SERMON Rev. Andrew Craver

***HYMN** *Heart in Loving Heart United* p. 401

BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** *Concerto in B⁶ Allegro*.....*G.F. Handel (1685-1759)*

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Molly and Jeffrey Stewart for their birthdays by Matella and Tommy Drum.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please update/email the church office with your prayer requests **every two weeks** so that we can maintain an accurate list. Thank you.

Current

Chris Lawing
Marie McCann
Thad Merriman
Keith Perryman
Mary Lee Smith
Sara (Virgil Williams' cousin)

Recovering

Randy Bruce
Julie Hutchins
Cathy Kippe
Courtney Thomas
Miriam Thomas
Harold Williams

Ongoing

Lisa Burchette	Walter Lewis	Lori Mosier
Vicki Carroll	Jack Marion, Jr.	Annette Pigg
Adrian/Lisa Cook	Bryan and Kitty Medlin	Regina Seymour
Win Craft	Steven Mendenhall	Spencer Shoaf
Kathy/Erwin Gaines	Shelvie Milsap	Doug Spainhour
Grady Hawks	Jim Miller	Daphne Thompson
Danny Hepler	Judy Moore	Virgil Williams
Janet Hutchins		

OFFERTORY ANTHEM LYRICS

THE GIFT OF LOVE

WORDS BY HAL H. HOPSON

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be giv'n by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Volunteers are needed** to lead Children's Church from May 19 to July 7. A sign up sheet will be posted on the sign up bulletin board outside of the sanctuary in the office hallway. For questions, please contact Ronda Johnson at (336) 831-6553 or rondaj12@gmail.com. Thanks.

- Women's Fellowship - If you haven't responded to the online **Women's Fellowship survey** that was emailed last week, please do so **by April 30th**. If you need a paper copy, contact Lori White, President or Bunny Phipps, Vice President. Thank you!

- **The National Day of Prayer** is on Thursday, May 2nd at 12 noon. There will be a ceremony at the flagpole with a picnic style lunch provided (bring a blanket or lawn chair). This event will be led by local pastors (including Rev. Andrew) at Town Hall.

- Mark your calendars for our upcoming **Moravian Square Farmer's Market** on the last Saturdays of June (29th), July (27th), and August (31st) from 8am to 11:00 am.

- The joint choirs of the First Presbyterian Church of Pilot Mountain and Trinity Episcopal Church of Mt. Airy will present a **program today, April 21 at 2:00 pm of Easter portions of the Messiah** by George Frederic Handel. Wilson will be playing the organ and Sherri, his sister, will be directing. Debbie Couch and Wilson will be singing solos, as well. Everyone is invited to attend the program free of charge. The program will be presented in the sanctuary of Trinity Episcopal Church.